

Problem 1.

For each of the following sentences, give an example of a matrix A with the following properties, or explain why it is impossible.

- ? (a) [4pts.] A is a 3×6 matrix with rank and nullity both equal to 3.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

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- (b) [4pts.] A is a 6×3 matrix with rank and nullity both equal to 3.

Given an $n \times m$ matrix A , the rank-nullity theorem states that
 $\text{rank}(A) + \text{nullity}(A) = n$.
Substituting in the givens, we get $3 + 3 = 3$, which is not true; therefore, there is no such matrix.

Problem 2.

Recall that two vectors $\vec{v}, \vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are perpendicular if their dot product is zero: $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = 0$.

- (a) [5pts.] Find a nonzero matrix A such that $A\vec{x}$ is perpendicular to the vector $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

for every $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$. [You do not need to justify how you found A , but you do need to show that your choice of A satisfies the prescribed condition.]

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \perp \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \text{ is the trans. matrix of } \text{proj}_L(\vec{v}) = \begin{bmatrix} \text{proj}_L\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} & \text{proj}_L\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} & \text{proj}_L\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{proj}_L\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 0 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{proj}_L\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{0} \quad \text{proj}_L\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 0 & -1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1/2 - x_3/2 \\ 0 \\ -x_1/2 + x_3/2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

therefore all $A\vec{x}$ are perpendicular to \vec{v}

- (b) [5pts.] For the matrix A you found in part (a), let $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be the corresponding linear transformation. Find, with justification, a basis of the image of T .

basis of $\text{im}(T) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 0 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ because the basis of the image of a transformation T is the span of the column space of its transformation matrix A (found above). However, the zero vector column is redundant as it can be written as 0 (Column 1) and column 3 is redundant as it can be written as $-(\text{Column 1})$ —since both columns are redundant (can be written as a linear combination of the last vector C_1 or linearly dependent), they can be removed from the basis.

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Problem 3.

Let \vec{x}, \vec{y} be two nonzero vectors in \mathbf{R}^n . Consider the set

$$V = \{\vec{v} \in \mathbf{R}^n \text{ such that } \vec{v} \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{v} \cdot \vec{y}\}.$$

(a) [3pts.] Prove that V is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^n .

① $\vec{0} \in V$ because $\vec{0} \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{0} \cdot \vec{y} = 0$, so $\vec{0}$ can equal zero

② any $\vec{v} \in V$ can be written as $\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2$ ($\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \in V$) because given $\vec{v} = \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2$, $(\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2) \cdot \vec{x} = (\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2) \cdot \vec{y}$ must hold true

$$\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{x} + \vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{y} + \vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{y}$$

because $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \in V$, $\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{y}$ and $\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{y}$

Therefore, it holds true ③ given any $\vec{v} \in V$, let $k \vec{v} \in V$ because $(k\vec{v}) \cdot \vec{x}$ can be rewritten as $k(\vec{v} \cdot \vec{x})$

so $(k\vec{v}) \cdot \vec{x} = (k\vec{v}) \cdot \vec{y}$ holds true because it is equivalent to

$$k(\vec{v} \cdot \vec{x}) = k(\vec{v} \cdot \vec{y})$$

$\vec{v} \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{v} \cdot \vec{y}$, which is known to be true

(b) [3pts.] Let now $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\vec{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ be vectors in \mathbf{R}^4 and let V be defined as above.

Show that $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ belong to V .

$$v_1 : \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} ? \\ ? \\ ? \\ ? \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$4 = 4$$

$$1 = 1$$

$$\therefore$$

$$v_1 \in V$$

$$v_2 : \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} ? \\ ? \\ ? \\ ? \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$0 = 0$$

$$\therefore$$

$$v_2 \in V$$

$$v_3 : \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} ? \\ ? \\ ? \\ ? \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$0 = 0$$

$$\therefore$$

$$v_3 \in V$$

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This problem continues from the previous page. Recall that $\vec{x}, \vec{y}, \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2$ and \vec{v}_3 are defined in question (b), and $V = \{\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^4 \text{ such that } \vec{v} \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{v} \cdot \vec{y}\}$.

(c) [5pts.] Prove that $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$ is a basis of V .

① v_1, v_2, v_3 are linearly independent

$$\text{rref } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

each column has a pivot so no columns are linearly dependent

② $\dim(V) = 3$

$\dim(V) \geq 3$ because at least 3 linearly independent vectors span it

$\dim(V) \leq 4$ because it exists with \mathbb{R}^4

$\dim(V) \neq 4$ because if it did, it would span all of \mathbb{R}^4 and it does not because some vectors $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ are not included in V

For example, $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ b/c $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 8 \neq 0$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 6$$

Because basis $= \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ has 3 independent vectors $= \dim(V)$,

$\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ fully spans V and is a basis of V

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Problem 4.

(a) [5pts.] Using row-reduction find, if it exists, the inverse of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 4 & 7 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 & 0 & -3 & -6 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 & 0 & -6 & -12 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 4 & 7 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -6 & -12 & -3 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1 & 4 & 7 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -6 & -12 & -3 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1 & 4 & 7 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

Does not exist because $\text{rank}(A) = 2 \rightarrow A$ is
not invertible

(b) [5pts.] Let A be the matrix defined in (a). Find all solutions $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$ of the system

$$A\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad [\text{There could be none.}] \quad \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 4 & 7 & -1 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 & 0 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 4 & 7 & -1 \\ 0 & -3 & -6 & 2 \\ 0 & -6 & -12 & 4 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 4 & 7 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & -6 & -12 & 4 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 16 \end{array} \right]}$$

0 ≠ 16 → inconsistent system → No Solution

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Problem 5.

Let P be the plane in \mathbf{R}^3 given by the equation $x - y + z = 0$.

- (a) [5pts.] Let $T : \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^3$ be the reflection across the plane P . Find the matrix of T with respect to the standard basis of \mathbf{R}^3 .

$$\ell = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{proj}_P = \vec{v} - \text{proj}_{\ell} \quad \text{ref}_P = 2\text{proj}_P - \vec{v} = 2\vec{v} - 2\text{proj}_{\ell} - \vec{v}$$

$A = \text{matrix of } T$

$$\text{ref}_P \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \frac{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 \\ -2/3 \\ 2/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{ref}_P \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \frac{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 2/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{ref}_P \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \frac{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & 2/3 & -2/3 \\ 2/3 & 1/3 & 2/3 \\ -2/3 & 2/3 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) [6pts.] Find a basis $\mathcal{B} = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$ of \mathbf{R}^3 such that the \mathcal{B} -matrix of T is diagonal.
Write down the \mathcal{B} -matrix of T .

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad 7/6$$

$$\mathcal{B}\text{-matrix of } T = \left[T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right] \quad \text{no.}$$

$$\mathcal{B}\text{-matrix of } T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$